

REGULAR ARMY IS FIXED  
AT 175,000

Secretary Baker Directed to Stop Enlistments Until Forces Are Reduced to New Strength.

Washington, Jan. 17.—Congress voted today to limit the size of the regular army to 175,000 enlisted men. The senate by a vote of 41 to 33 set aside its decision last week to reduce the army to 150,000 men and then without a record vote adopted the original joint resolution of Senator New, republican, Indiana, directing the secretary of war to stop recruiting until the army is cut to 175,000 men.

The house, ten minutes later, adopted a joint resolution sponsored by Chairman Kahn of its military affairs committee, also directing the secretary of war to cease enlistments until there are not more than 175,000 enlisted men in the regular establishment. The house vote was 285 to 4, only Representative Bee, Texas, Blackmon, Alabama and Coady, Maryland, democrats, and Crampton, Michigan, republican, standing out against the reduction.

The resolutions adopted by the two houses are almost identical in their provisions, each providing that the 175,000 limit shall not prevent the enlistment of men who have served one or more enlistments in the military service. The language of the two measures, however, differs somewhat and either the senate or the house will send its resolution to conference for re-arrangement. Action by the joint conference committee of the two houses is expected to be taken speedily and the resultant measure sent to the president.

The action of the two houses was taken against the recommendations of war department heads and General Pershing. Secretary Baker, in appearing before the senate military affairs committee, advised against any army of less than 250,000 men after the "present necessity of economy has been relieved." General Pershing told the same committee that an army of 200,000 men constituted a safety margin.

RAILROADS SHOW PROGRESS  
SINCE RETURN TO OWNERS

From the Frisco lines publicity department the following statement of what has been accomplished by the railroads of America since their return to private control has been issued:

Under corporate operation the railroads have—

1. Increased the average movement per freight car per day 6.3 miles—from 22.5 to 28.6 miles.
2. Increased the average load per car 1.7 tons—from 28.3 to 30 tons.
3. Made substantial reduction in the number of unserviceable locomotives.
4. Reduced the accumulation of loaded but unremoved cars from 102,237 on March 1, to 21,991 on December 3, of which only 6,386 were detained because of the inability of the railroads to move them.
5. Relocated approximately 180,000 box cars from the east to the west for the movement of farm produce.
6. Relocated approximately 180,000 open top cars from the west to the east to keep up the production of coal.
7. Moved the third highest coal production in the history of the country.
8. Spent over \$500,000,000 extra on improving the maintenance of tracks, bridges, cars and locomotives.
9. Contracted to spend about \$250,000,000, largely out of earnings for additions and betterments to promote the movement of cars.
10. Made arrangements to purchase approximately 50,000 new freight cars, 1,500 new locomotives, and 1,000 new passenger cars.
11. Begun the reconstruction of thousands of old cars.
12. Moved—with a deteriorated plant, under disturbed labor and business conditions—the largest volume of traffic ever known in a single year, with the highest efficiency yet achieved, and with a minimum addition to the value of the property on which the public has to pay a return through rates.

We learn today of the marriage of Rev. A. L. McQuary of Galena, Mo., and Mrs. J. H. Hughes of Neosho, which took place Saturday at Springfield at the home of Mrs. Chas. Holland, who is a niece of the bride. Both the bride and groom are well known in Neosho, and their hosts of warm friends will join us in congratulations. The bride has resided here continuously for many years and the groom was also formerly a citizen of this city, for several years being pastor of the Christian church. We have not learned the particulars, but understand the newly married couple will reside at Galena, where the groom owns a home and a summer resort.—Neosho Democrat.

Mrs. W. F. Landrum and baby, Betty Marion, left West hospital, Sunday.

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This soothing, healing, penetrating remedy takes all of the smarting pain out of burns, scalds, cuts, sprains, etc., and quickly brings relief. Get a tin of the bottle today from your druggist.

**HUNT'S LIGHTNING OIL**  
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COMMERCIAL CLUB BANQUET  
FRIDAY NIGHT

The Commercial Club banquet will be held Friday night at Broadway Hotel. A number of interesting questions are to come before the club at this meeting.

**FOR SALE**—60 bushels good clean red clover seed, test 98.3 per cent purity from huller, yield up to 6 bu per acre and a large crop of hay. Have made three bumper crops straight. Price, \$12.00 per bushel. I also have 200 bushels good sound white medium early Prolific seed corn at \$1.50 per bushel. For more information write to L. G. Meister, R. F. D. 3, Purdy, Mo. w21t10

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Prominent Hog Raiser Says Prices Charged Are Unwarranted—Makes His Own Hog Food. With Better Results.

"That he is all through paying fancy prices for stock foods and hog remedies and that he is raising some of the best hogs ever placed on the market" was the statement made recently by E. H. Beckstead, well-known hog raiser and authority on live stock.

Mr. Beckstead's hogs are the envy of his neighbors, and have "topped the market" for several years in Iowa. He states that for years he bought high priced hog foods and hog remedies, but he is all through paying extravagant prices for what he can make himself. He states that what the hogs need are minerals, and tells the secret of his wonderful success by explaining that he takes about five pounds of ordinary mineraline (which is pure concentrated minerals and costs only a couple of dollars) and mixes same with enough bran or filler to make a hundred pounds. All hogs and especially brood sows require minerals as they keep them free from worms, and in the pink of condition, and are essential to the hogs growth and a well balanced ration. This inexpensive mixture placed in a sheltered box where the hogs can get at it as they need it, will produce far better results than any high priced so-called stock foods.

Send two dollars to The Mineraline Chemical Co., 1638 North Wells St., Chicago, Ill., and they will forward you by prepaid parcel post, enough mineraline to make a full hundred pounds. w21t4 —Adv.

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Mrs. Bensonhurst—Oh, yes.  
"But, don't you care?"  
"Why should I? I can't prevent what is natural."  
"What do you mean by natural?"  
"Why, you know, the worm will turn."

**Sleep Producing.**  
"They had two features and a serial at the movies tonight."  
"Didn't you find such a long program tiresome?"  
"No; I took a nap while the serial was on."

To abort a cold  
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**Calotabs**

The purified and refined calomel tablets that are nausealess, safe and sure. Medicinal virtues retained and improved. Sold only in sealed packages. Price 35c.

CHARLES HASELL WILL  
IN PROBATE COURT

Springfield, Jan. 19.—The will of the late Charles Hasell was filed in probate court yesterday afternoon. Under the provisions of the will, Clara A. Whitton was appointed executrix of the estate, of which she inherits a one-half interest. Milton L. Hasell, a son, inherits a one-fourth interest. The children of Milton Hasell also are given a one-fourth interest in the estate under the terms of the will.

## GLEANINGS

The farmers are wishing for another snow, as it protects the wheat from hard freezes.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Beckett attended Sunday school at Liberty and returned home with B. C. Wolf, for dinner.

Troy Beckett had the misfortune of getting one of his mule's legs broken by being kicked by a horse.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Anderson were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mat Anderson.

Mrs. Fannie Whipple, of Girard, Kansas is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Henry Hilpert, of Miller. She will return to Mt. Vernon this week, for a visit with her niece, Mrs. Walter Davis, before returning home.

Mrs. Harris Woods, of Montross, Colo., writes to her mother that her husband had been operated upon for a serious case of appendicitis.

The farmers are busy hauling wood for the saw.

Mrs. James McCormick takes the lead in gathering eggs these winter days.

Mendon school is progressing nicely. Miss Alice Planchon is the teacher. The smallpox scare is over, as the children who were exposed have returned to school.

## MT. GROVE

Winford Davis was a visitor at Mt. Grove school, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Morlan and children attended church at Mt. Grove, Sunday.

Rev. M. J. Combs spent Friday night with Clyde Beymer and family. Fred Smith attended meeting at Mt. Grove, Sunday night.

Little Fern and Veda Conway Jackson visited their grandparents, Monday.

Fred Smith was trading in McDowell, Wednesday.

Pude Morlan was selling meat in Monett, Friday.

James Smith was a visitor in Purdy, Monday.

WILL BE HOSTESS TO  
HIGH FIVE CLUB

Mrs. A. Cole, 901 Frisco avenue, will be hostess to the High Five Club Saturday afternoon.

## LONG ITEMS

Grandpa Allison is reported no better.

Ennis Gipsom and family visited with Jerry Lewis and family, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Courdin spent Saturday night and Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Chastain.

Several from here attended the great revival meeting that was in progress at New Salem.

J. F. Chastain and son, Aubrey, spent Sunday night at Jerry Lewis'.

Mr. and Mrs. Omer Chastain visited Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Goodnight.

Mrs. Willie Bryant visited over Sunday with her husband.

## ARNHART

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hemphill visited at the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Marbut, Sunday.

Sunday will be regular meeting at Arnhart.

Misses Ella Smith and Ruby Lowery called on Miss Lena Marbut, Sunday.

Miss Mabel Marbut visited her sister, Mrs. Eula Hemphill from Friday until Sunday, and attended church at Cedar Bluff.

Mr. and Mrs. James Roller visited at the home of John Blaylock, Sunday.

Uncle Marion Blaylock is on the sick list.

Mamre Roller, of California, who has been expected here for a visit with his father, has postponed the visit.

There will be three more weeks of school. On the last day a program will be given in the afternoon and at night.

A. T. Brown visited in Springfield, Wednesday.

Mrs. J. M. Clayton was shopping in Joplin, Wednesday.

W. F. Wright made a business trip to Springfield, Wednesday.

Mrs. Ernest Mitchell was a visitor in Springfield, Wednesday.

Mrs. Ed Cole and little son spent the day in Peirce City with her mother.

Mrs. M. J. Harvey went to Springfield, Wednesday morning, for several days' visit with relatives.

OLD INDIAN TRAIL  
THROUGH MONETT

Commission will be Here Thursday to Confer with Commercial Club and Arrange for Public Meeting.

In a recent meeting held by the Old Indian Trails Association, a few changes in location were made and the new location will bring this route through Monett.

Judge Henry K. Walker, vice chairman of the Association, and party will arrive here some time Thursday to meet with the local Commercial Club at their luncheon to present to them the story of America's greatest highway, "The Old Indian Trails."

This highway extends from Vancouver, British Columbia, to Miami, Florida, in a diagonal direction intersecting every other National Highway in the country. The Trail runs south from Vancouver to Seattle, Washington, then diagonally southeast through the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, Nebraska and Kansas, to Joplin, Mo. From there it passes through Sarcoxie, Peirce City, Monett, Cassville, to Eureka Springs, Ark., then continues southeast through Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia, to Live Oak, Florida, where it follows the Florida Gulf Coast to Marco. It then runs due east across the Florida Everglades to Miami, the southeastern terminus.

This route will be marked with an all-steel system of markers, well advertised, and will serve the needs of the nation as a post, military and recreation highway.

Secretary J. H. Baskin, of the Old Indian Trails Association, will arrive ahead of the party to meet with the Commercial organization and arrange for a public meeting.

Mrs. James Goodwin was able to leave West hospital, Friday, after an operation.

John Grissom, of north of town, was trading here Tuesday, for the first time in three weeks.

Mrs. Horace Gray was called to Cassville, Monday, by the critical illness of her brother, Walter Ruddick.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Hagler, of Picher, Okla., spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hagler.

Mrs. Dave Baylor, of Purdy, is visiting her nephew, Muri Woods, who is ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. L. B. Jones, of Neosho, was called here Sunday by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. T. H. Jeffries.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Marlow and Master Carl Marlow went to Butterfield, Monday, to visit until Thursday with relatives.

Miss Lee Gilbert, who has been the guest of her brother, H. L. Gilbert and wife, returned to Springfield, Monday morning.

Mrs. E. E. Hicks and daughter, Myrtle, returned to their home at Jenkins, Monday, after visiting Mrs. Joe Jenkins and Mrs. Clara Moody.

Dr. W. J. Spilman, of Washington, D. C., spent Sunday with his niece, Mrs. H. P. S. Burke, enroute to Columbia, Mo., where he makes an address at the Missouri University at the Farmer's Week program.

Louis Lehr, of Peirce City, was in town Tuesday selling his sweet potatoes. He renewed his subscription to The Times and subscribed for Henry Lehr, of Pratt, Kansas.

The quarantine for scarlet fever has been lifted from the home of R. E. Hoover on Fourth street. Ruby Gene Hoover, who had the fever, has recovered.

Miss Fairy McCormick returned Monday from Neoga, Ill., where she visited her mother during the holidays. Her mother, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is able to be up. Mrs. W. F. Darnil, who accompanied Miss McCormick, remained for a longer visit, and will join her husband enroute home from a buying trip in the east.

Deputy Sheriff Chas. Austin went to Joplin yesterday and brought down and placed in the Newton county jail the man Lauderman who has been out on bond on the charge of stealing the Heaton whiskey in Neosho. Not long ago Lauderman was arrested for operating a still in the north part of this county. He was tried in Federal court and fined \$500 and costs, the total being about \$1,000, which he paid. Following this trial his bondsmen on the other charge surrendered him to the officers and he has been placed in jail to await circuit court.—Neosho Democrat.

Dr. Chas. E. Hurley, of Bentonville, Ark., passed through Monett, Saturday morning enroute home from visiting points in Kansas, Kansas City and Joplin.

J. F. Mermoud, J. V. Nelson, S. A. Chapell and C. J. Baughar went to Aurora Tuesday to attend a good roads meeting.

Mrs. A. Wallace has gone to the Missouri state sanatorium at Mt. Vernon for treatment. Mr. Wallace is a Frisco machinist.

Arch Long is visiting relatives at Jenkins.

M. W. A. AND ROYAL NEIGH-  
BORS INSTALL OFFICERS

The joint installation of officers for the Modern Woodmen of America and Royal Neighbors was held Friday evening. Following is the list of officers the Royal Neighbors installed: Mrs. Joe Amber, oracle; Mrs. W. H. Miller, vice oracle; Mrs. S. C. Dow, recorder; Mrs. C. H. Ring, receiver; Mrs. T. J. Ogden, past oracle; Mrs. W. E. Blankenship, chancellor; Mrs. Wm. Thompson, marshal; Mrs. Jim Amber, assistant marshal; Mrs. Williams, inner sentinel; Mrs. L. O. Garriss, outer sentinel; Dr. C. T. Dusenbury and Dr. D. E. Miller, physicians.

The Modern Woodmen of America installed the following officers: Chas. Patterson, v. c.; T. J. Ogden, w. a.; Joe F. Amber, banker; Geo. Patterson, escort; George Schaffer, watchman; P. J. Skouby, sentry; P. J. Skouby, George Patterson and C. P. Glass, managers; Dr. Miller, Dr. Ferguson, Dr. Dusenbury and Dr. Mitchell, physicians, T. D. Pitts, clerk.

## WEST McDOWELL

C. A. Fly and son Elvin were in Monett Tuesday on business.

Ray Jackson is sick.

Lee Cramer visited Clio Henderson Sunday.

Arlie Inman visited Elvin Fly Tuesday morning.

Amanda Morlan visited Mrs. I. C. Inman Sunday night.

Elvin Fly visited his wife Sunday. Clyde Davis and family visited I. C. Inman and family Sunday.

Lettie Thomas visited her brother Saturday night and Sunday.

Jesse Marshall and Miss Effie Smith attended church at Mt. Grove, Sunday.

## GIVEN PARTY

Mrs. J. J. Maher and family, No. 607 Frisco avenue, were given a party Monday evening at their home, the affair being planned and carried out by their friends. The evening was very pleasantly spent in music, cards and dancing. Misses Ethel Campbell and Laneta Randall added to the evening's entertainments a number of readings, and Miss Fern Heyburn rendered a beautiful solo. A delicious two course lunch was served to the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Welsh, Mrs. E. M. Carr, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hogan, Mrs. J. J. Randall, Mrs. Harry Smith, Mrs. Wm. Henry, Mrs. B. Callendar, Ed Maher, Misses Ethel Campbell, Loretta Henry, Fern Heyburn Isabell Kreuger, Rose Smith, Marie and Laneta Randall, Helen Maher, Rose and Mary Conrey; Tom Henry, Joseph Randall, Will O'Neill, Walter Feehan; Mrs. J. J. Larkin, Edna, John and Edward Larkin, Frank Murphy, Pete O'Neill, of Peirce City, and Alfred Boyle, of Tulsa, Okla.

**FOR STATE PRESIDENT**  
OF P. E. O.  
Elaborate plans are being made for the entertainment of Mrs. Maude B. Henderson of La Platte, who will be the guest of the local chapters B. G. and D. C. Friday and Saturday. A house picnic will be given Friday evening in her honor at the home of Mrs. E. E. Dodd, 424 East Center street. Supper, picnic fashion, will be served to 7 o'clock. She will be the honor guest of the Founder's Day banquet which will be held at Heer's tea room Saturday at 1 o'clock. Among the out of town guests who are expected to attend this celebration are Mrs. Harriet Pyneson of Lawrence, Kans., past president of the Missouri P. E. O., Mrs. Maud Bradley of Joplin, also a past president of the state organization and Mrs. Winchester of Joplin, state corresponding secretary. All chapters of near by towns are expected to have representatives present. The final entertainment will be a tea at the home of Mrs. U. G. Dawson, 730 Cherry street Saturday from 4 to 6 o'clock.—Springfield Leader.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CONFERENCE**  
HERE THURSDAY  
A Sunday school conference of District No. 2, comprised of Monett and Kings Prairie townships, will be held at the Methodist church at Monett at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

H. W. Becker, state adult superintendent, will be present. The district officers and every Sunday school superintendent and teacher in the district are invited to be present.

Mr. Becker will present many things of practical interest to Sunday school workers.

**COMMERCIAL CLUB LUNCHEON**  
THURSDAY NIGHT

The Commercial Club will hold their first luncheon since the new officers took their seat, on Thursday evening. The affair will be held at the Broadway Hotel. J. H. Baskin, secretary of the Old Indian Trails Association, will be here and will meet with the club to present to them the proposition of his Association as to locating the Trail through Monett.

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LAWRENCE COUNTY FARMERS'  
ASSOCIATION ELECTS

The Lawrence County Farmers' Association held its annual meeting in Mount Vernon January 8th afternoon for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year.

R. D. Kirby, of Mount Vernon, was elected unanimously to head the association for 1921, and L. M. Parnell, of Marionville, was elected vice-president. Nine directors of the association were elected as follows:

S. E. James, Marionville.  
Clint Hillhouse, Aurora.  
A. K. Gurley, Mount Vernon.  
I. J. Holmes, Mount Vernon.  
John Matlock, Stotts City.  
Freeman Arnhart, Marionville.  
Emery Hillhouse, Mount Vernon.  
Chas. Tartar, Phelps.  
Lawrence Snyder, Verona.  
The Parker String band made a great hit with its music.

The association voted to employ a full time secretary.

Reports of exchanges showed six exchanges in operation or ready to begin. Total capital stock, \$30,000, with a total business of commodities nearly \$300,000.

Resolution that sixty million dollars bond issue be divided and one-half left with State Highway Board to be spent in local communities equal to amounts raised there. Asa Stark was chosen to represent the club at Jefferson City, with Zack Galloway as alternate. The Farm Bureau jointly endorses this and will pay half of the expense. Farmers of Missouri are determined to see that the bond issue is fairly divided and spent on roads rather than line front pants pockets of politicians.—Aurora Advertiser.

MUSIC STUDENT OF ONE YEAR  
TO GIVE RECITAL

People who are watching the musical development of Monett will be interested in the piano recital, most of which will be played by Mr. Glenn Mills, Thursday night at the Baptist church.

Last January Mr. Mills became interested in music and began the study of piano. Theretofore, he had not been instructed even in the first principles of any branch of music. Through constant devotion to this work during off hours from duty with the Frisco he has been able to accomplish a good deal.

In October he played for the Music Club at their opening meeting of the season. This was his first public performance.

At the recital Thursday night he will play selections by Bach, Mozart, Grieg, MacDowell, Moszcowski, and Rachmaninoff.

When one considers that the average pupil seldom accomplishes anything the first year that is of interest to the adult musical world, such an array of composers must bear evidence of marked ability and constant industry.

Miss Vera Brown and little Miss Florine Watson of Peirce City will assist Mr. Mills in this program.

The public is cordially invited to attend. The program will begin at 8:15.

WILL SERVE SIXTY DAYS IN  
JAIL FOR FORGING CHECK

C. E. Wilhite, of Helena, Ark., who passed a bad check for the amount of \$50.00 on Salzer's Lumber Yard, and was afterwards arrested at Springfield on instruction from Chief of Police Joe A. Jackson, was sentenced to serve sixty days in the county jail at Cassville by Judge J. L. Hobbs, at a hearing at his office at one o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Wilhite is 25 years old and his mother is living in town at Helena, Ark., while a younger son is in charge of their farm. They are well respected people of that place. Young Wilhite is in the employ of the Acorn Refining company, selling and putting on roofings. He has been in their employ for seven months. He is a graduate of the Cassville High school and also from an Agricultural school at Helena. He was returned to the Cassville jail in the custody of Sheriff Roberts.

SILVER LAKE MINING CO.  
BUILDING SMELTER

According to information from T. R. Gilliam, manager of the Silver Lake Mining Company, of Seligman, the company is now erecting a plant, 18x100 feet in size and will start the smelter in a few days, or as soon as they can get the building enclosed.

The Company claims to have a rich deposit of silver and are enthusiastic over the prospects.

CASE OF MRS. RITTENHOUSE  
AGAINST FRISCO POSTPONED

The damage suit of Mrs. Etta Rittenhouse against the Frisco Railway company, for the death of her husband, which was to have been tried at Mt. Vernon before Judge Henson, Monday, has been put off, on account of some of the witnesses in the case having the smallpox.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Jones are visiting at Oklahoma City.